

Eastwood's "The Eiger Sanction" the following year. In 1977, she starred opposite Bernie Casey and Ron O'Neal in the film, "Brothers." Her later movies included "Repo Man" in 1984 and "To Sleep with Anger" in 1990, followed by an increasing amount of episodic television work.

In the mid 1980s, Vonetta McGee met and married the love of her life, actor Carl Lumbly, when she was cast as his detective character's wife in a Cagney & Lacey episode. They had a son, Brandon, and enjoyed many years together as soul mates. Vonetta is survived by her devoted husband, son, mother, three brothers and her sister.

I was always inspired by Vonetta's positive attitude, her clear thinking, her politics and her love for humankind. I still remember her genuine friendship and her gracious hospitality when she welcomed me and my family into her beautiful Berkeley home. She was a friend and an amazing talent who will be deeply missed.

Today, California's 9th Congressional District salutes and honors a wonderful human being, Ms. Lawrence Vonetta McGee. The contributions she made to others throughout her life are countless and precious. My thoughts are with Mr. Carl Lumbly, his family, and Vonetta's extended group of loved ones as we celebrate her incredible life. May her soul rest in peace.

HONORING DAVID WILLIAMS

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Mr. ROSKAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate David Williams on his retirement as the Itasca Village Administrator. Over the past 10 years, Mr. Williams has generously served the Village of Itasca.

Prior to becoming Village Administrator, Mr. Williams worked for the Illinois State Police for thirty years. Under his skilled direction and leadership, Itasca has undergone a great transformation. The Village of Itasca has witnessed the design and completion of a new village hall, police department, and construction has recently begun on the Itasca Riverwalk. Mr. Williams also serves on the board of directors and several committees for the DuPage Mayors and Mangers Conference. His coordination and guidance for the community was one of the reasons Itasca was named one of the "150 Great Places in Illinois" by the American Institute of Architects.

Madam Speaker and Distinguished Colleagues, please join me in honoring Mr. Williams for his remarkable career and wishing him the best of luck in all of his future endeavors.

RECOGNITION OF MAJOR DARREN R. BALDWIN FOR HIS BRAVERY AND SERVICE IN IRAQ

HON. MARY JO KILROY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Ms. KILROY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Darren Baldwin for his bravery, patri-

otism, and courage while serving in Task Force Falcon and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Major Baldwin is a true testament to the remarkable and courageous service that our soldiers provide our nation.

Major Darren R. Baldwin grew up in Worthington, Ohio. After graduating from high school, Major Baldwin attended West Point and dedicated his life to the service of his country. His first assignment was as a Field Artillery Officer to Giessen, Germany during which he was sent into combat in Kosovo as part of Task Force Falcon. Returning from his deployment, Major Baldwin continued his military training in the Special Forces Officer Qualification School in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. His next tour of duty took him to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Over the next two years, he served three tours of duty.

Major Baldwin continues the tradition of excellence and service exhibited by the Green Berets and other special service members. Major Baldwin is not only a great soldier, but also a great son, husband, brother, friend, and community member. His heroic efforts to help fight the war on terror have helped to keep his country and community safe.

During his tour in Iraq on March 9 and 18, 2005, Major Baldwin was wounded by two improvised explosive devices, and suffered a traumatic brain injury. Currently, Major Baldwin is on medical convalescent leave receiving physical and neurological therapeutic treatment. The service he performed for his country, at great personal cost, has been recognized with a Purple Heart, three Bronze Stars, a Meritorious Service Medal, as well as being commended by the Ohio Secretary of State.

Major Baldwin and other wounded soldiers are our country's greatest heroes. On September 11, 2010, the Green Beret Foundation honored Major Darren R. Baldwin at Purple Heart Commemorative Event for his courageous service in Iraq. In addition to recognizing Major Baldwin, this event in Worthington, Ohio honored all of our dedicated American soldiers and wounded warriors by raising money for the Green Beret foundation. I commend Major Baldwin on his courage, bravery, and unwavering commitment to his country and I am proud to recognize him for his service and patriotism.

HONORING RICHARD CORDELL

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Mr. KILDEE. Madam Speaker, on August 27, 2010 the Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan paid tribute to Richard Cordell for 47 years of service to the club. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of Flint from 1963 to 2010.

Richard Cordell has served the Rotary Club of Flint as its president from 1974–1976, club secretary/treasurer from 1980 to 2008, and club secretary/treasurer emeritus from 2008 to August, 2010. He was District Governor of Rotary International District 6330 from 1984–1985. He served as a club ambassador attending numerous Rotary events and international conventions.

In addition to his service to the Rotary Club of Flint, Richard is the past-president of the Greater Flint YMCA, a leader of First Pres-

byterian Church of Flint, and as ambassador to Flint's sister city Togliatti Russia. A veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, Richard served our country during World War II as a Lieutenant Colonel as a B-26 pilot flying 62 missions including two on D-Day.

Richard will turn 93 years old on September 30th and will soon be leaving Flint to join his son Richard, daughter-in-law Anita and two granddaughters Chelsea and Katie in California.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in applauding the contributions of Richard Cordell to the Rotary Club of Flint, and the greater Flint community. He has spent his life serving with enthusiasm, living the Rotary motto of "Service above Self" and incorporating the principles of the Rotary "Four-Way Test" in his everyday life. I wish him the best as he enters this next phase of his life close to his loving family and cherished by his friends.

HONORING DR. JONES FOR THE OCCASION OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. GLENN C. NYE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Mr. NYE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Howard Jones, co-founder of the Howard and Georgeanna Jones Foundation for Reproductive Medicine and the Jones Institute at Eastern Virginia Medical School, for the occasion of his 100th birthday. Dr. Howard Jones and his wife Dr. Georgeanna Jones pioneered in vitro fertilization and established the Jones Institute in 1983, following the birth of America's first in vitro baby in 1981. Two years later they helped establish the Jones Foundation to ensure that groundbreaking research in the field of reproductive medicine would continue for years to come. Today, the techniques developed by the Jones team are offered at clinics around the world and have helped countless couples conceive children. I wish you a happy birthday Dr. Jones, and I thank you for your invaluable contributions to American science.

HONORING THE SOLAR POWER INITIATIVE AT MARTINS CREEK SCHOOL IN MURPHY, NC

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Mr. SHULER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Martins Creek Elementary and Middle School in Murphy, North Carolina. I would like to commend the exemplary educators, administrators, and planners for their hard work, preparation, and research that led to Martins Creek School acquiring the largest public school solar power array in North Carolina. The array will produce close to an entire megawatt of power; enough energy to prevent the burning of 75 tons of coal per day for electricity production.

On May 7, 2010, Martins Creek School will hold an opening ceremony to mark the introduction of the solar array. This event highlights the school's commitment to green conservation and environmental improvement in